

The Official Newsletter of the Commodore Users Group of Springfield

November 1993



Clipper

The next CUGOS meeting is
November 13th, 1993, the House of
Prayer, 2850 N. Park Ave. at 10 am



THANKSGIVING DAY

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

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CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Garry & Vicki Paasch
for bringing into this world an
8lb 4oz baby girl, Abigail Ann, who
was 21 inches long born Nov. 2nd, at
5:50pm.



PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hi! Hope this finds you all
okay. The air has feelings of the
next season doesn't it. To me, it
means I won't feel so guilty about
staying inside to play with my
computer??

A few notes to keep everyone on
the same wave length:

1) The Commercial Library, Betty
Stott has decided to step down from
the post. Betty has had the helm for
over 2 years. She has a lot going
on, but managed to make it to all
the meetings, and always seemed to
make time to help out anyone she
could, that had any questions.

**Anyone that would be interested
in the Commercial Library, please
contact me as soon as
possible..****

2) Treasurer Position-we will vote
on this position in December
meeting. If you have any questions,
please get with me this meeting. The
ballot, will come out in the
December newsletter, with Bette
Edwards name & a blank space that is
just big enough for your name! If
you feel that you would like to get



NOVEMBER Calendar Events

- 2 - Abigail Ann Paasch was Born
into this world
- 11 - Veterans Day
- 13 - CUGOS Meeting (10am at House
of Prayer, 2850 N. Park, in Gym, see
map - back page)
- 15 - Officers & Board of Directors
Meeting (Monday Night)
- 24 - Clipper Newsletter Article
Deadline
- 25 - Thanksgiving

The CUGOS Meeting meets at 10 am the
2nd Saturday at the House of Prayer,
2850 N. Park Ave.

more involved in your club, get a chance to be in on the decision making, or maybe a chance to share your knowledge & skill that you have acquired along the way, then I encourage you to run for this or any other office or support activity today!!

T-SHIRTS-we have 'em. Light blue, 50/50 cotton, the big CUGOS logo on the back & small logo on the front left chest. We had plenty of orders on the last batch, but we ran out of a few sizes. I reordered & now have a full supply. They would be that "just right" gift for Christmas, Birthday or the "I was just thinking of you". Above all, it would show your support for your club, to other members. Also, members of other clubs would acknowledge your support, I don't know how many times someone has come up to me out of the blue to strike up a conversation about computers or even just about the club!

****DO YOUR PART HELP SUPPORT CUGOS ODAY***

BBS-Larry Fетters & Jason Whitener are at it again! They have updated the BBS. I thought that the last version was pretty good, but this one has it doubled!! Call the board today & check it out, you really don't know what a treat you are missing!!

Telephone Calls-YES, YES it was me for the last few months I have been calling people, asking what they would like to see or not see at the meetings, or what type of support they think the club should be paying more attention to. First of all, I want to thank everyone that I talked to. I felt we had some pretty good chats. It really helped me out, as far as "getting the pulse" of the club's needs & wishes. The telephone I felt put everything on a "one to one" basis which makes it easier to help out with any questions or solutions that might come up. It seems that many people use their computer for writing (word processing), & of course there are quite a few games going on (so Tony Edwards has his work cut out for him). I have asked Garry Paasch to demo the "WRITE STUFF" by Busy Bee

Software at the meeting. Also another good idea was to try to separate the meeting into at least 2 groups one on the "how to" & the other on the "experienced" the reason being that together both are bored, because the flow is either too easy or too hard. I plan to try it in this direction; after the introductions & business sections, then maybe a break (doughnuts & coffee) then we will try something different??? Come on out & check us out!!

Hope to see you at the meeting!!

**** Give me a call anytime. at home or post a message on the board. I enjoy helping out whenever I can. ****

Sincerely
BBS= pres DD#4
Ernie Trisler



SPY VS SPY



CUGOS OCTOBER 9, 1993 MEETING MINUTES

CUGOS regular monthly meeting was held at 2850 N. Park, October 9, 1993 starting at 10:00 A.M.

Vice-President Suzi Edwards conducted this meeting as President Ernie Trisler had to work. Suzi introduced visitors and New Members. Other Officers gave brief reports & remarks. It was announced that more CUGOS Tee Shirts & Hats had arrived. \$10.00 for Tee Shirts & \$5.00 for hats.

Tony Edwards talked about the disk releases, and did Demos. Jason talked about the beginners Sig, saying it would be meeting on Sunday afternoon at his residence, and anyone wanting more information or directions should call him at 865-3259.

Digital Dimension BBS Sysop, Larry Fетters announced the board would soon be operating on a 2400 Baud Modem, and that they were trying out new software for the

board. He invited more members to call the BBS Board at 866-3979 and enjoy a new world of electronic Communication. Stacy Ganfield, CUGOS newest member was welcomed! The meeting then closed at 12:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Patrick, Secretary



CUGOS CLUB TRIVIA

The club was formed around May of 1982, the newsletter was started about a year later. I have obtained a CUGOS newsletter as early as February, 1983 and several in 1984 (Feb. Apr. May & June).

Here's the trivia, you will be given the questions & answers, but you must match them up together (I'll do this each month till we are up to the present year, enjoy! Answers next month)

In 1990-1991 issues:

1. On 2/91, the meeting place was ____
- c. The House of Prayer
2. The BBS SYSOP was ____
- i. Gordon Breshears
3. The Cugos newsletter editor from 6/90 - 12/90 was ____
- h. Ron Hardy
4. The Cugos newsletter editor from 1/91 - 5/91 was ____
- g. Garry Paasch
5. The Treasurer was ____
- j. Jim Orr
6. The Vice President was ____
- l. Art Voepel
7. The President was ____
- m. Ron Fuchs
8. The 64 Librarian was ____
- f. Tony Edwards
9. The 128 Librarian was ____
- e. Joe Haldiman
10. The Commercial Librarian was ____
- c. Bill Roberts
11. The Secretary was ____
- k. Bill Patrick
12. The Educator was ____

- d. Charles Dailey
13. The Disk Duplicator was ____
- b. Rondy Freeman
14. The cost of stamps were ____
- c. \$.25
15. BBS switched from a 64 to a 128 on (which month?) ____
- e. 3/91
16. The Magazine Librarian was ____
- a. Jerry Edwards

Now wasn't that easy?

In 1991-1992 issues:

1. The meeting place was ____
- a. Kearney Library b. VFW Hall c. House of Prayer d. Teamsters Union Hall
2. The BBS SYSOP was ____
- a. Bette Edwards b. Rondy Freeman c. Bill Roberts d. Ron Hardy e. David Hannebohn f. Tony Edwards g. Garry Paasch h. Ellen Montgomery i. Gordon Breshears j. Jim Orr k. Bill Patrick
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- l. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener
7. The 64 Librarian was ____
- a. Bette Edwards b. Rondy Freeman c. Bill Roberts d. Ron Hardy e. David Hannebohn f. Tony Edwards g. Garry Paasch h. Ellen Montgomery i. Gordon Breshears j. Jim Orr k. Bill Patrick
- l. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener

Breshears j. Jim Orr k. Bill Patrick
 1. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener
 9. The 128 Librarian was ____
 a. Bette Edwards b. Rondy Freeman c.
 Bill Roberts d. Ron Hardy e. David
 Hannebohn f. Tony Edwards g. Garry
 Paasch h. Ellen Montgomery i. Gordon
 Breshears j. Jim Orr k. Bill Patrick
 1. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener
 9. The Commercial Librarian was ____
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 Paasch h. Ellen Montgomery i. Gordon
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 1. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener
 14. The Magazine Librarian from 6/91
 to 9/91 was ____
 a. Bette Edwards b. Rondy Freeman c.
 Bill Roberts d. Ron Hardy e. David
 Hannebohn f. Tony Edwards g. Garry
 Paasch h. Ellen Montgomery i. Gordon
 Breshears j. Jim Orr k. Bill Patrick
 1. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener
 15. The Magazine Librarian from
 10/91 to 5/92 was ____
 a. Bette Edwards b. Rondy Freeman c.
 Bill Roberts d. Ron Hardy e. David
 Hannebohn f. Tony Edwards g. Garry
 Paasch h. Ellen Montgomery i. Gordon
 Breshears j. Jim Orr k. Bill Patrick
 1. Art Voepel m. Jason Whitener
 16. The cost of stamps were ____
 a. \$.20 b. \$.22 c. \$.25 d. \$.29 e.
 \$.35
 17. Went off bulk mailing ____
 a. 7/91 b. 8/91 c. 10/91 d. 11/91 e.

12/91 f. 1/92

18. Newsletter was published on the
 Write Stuff Processor starting ____
 a. 7/91 b. 9/91 c. 11/91 d. 1/92 e.
 3/92

19. The BBS received a 20 meg hard
 drive on ____
 a. 11/91 b. 1/92 c. 3/92 d. 5/92

(this trivia is based on the
 information from the CUGOS
 Newsletters July 1990 to June 1992)



PROGRAMMING THE COMMODORE 8-BITS



by David Ockrassa
 University Place Commodore Home
 Users Group
 Tacoma, Washington

I've been a Commodore user for about
 nine years, largely at the
 instigation of my kids. I didn't
 have any interest in computers,
 although by trade I'm an
 electrician. Like many people, I
 didn't know what use I would have
 for the "universal tool". After
 months of urging, I finally
 conceded, and went out to do some
 comparison shopping. My choices
 finally boiled down to two machines
 - the TI99/4A and the VIC 20.
 Largely due to the difference in the
 marketing strategy of the two
 companies, I bought the VIC - and
 watched the TI die a short while
 later...
 Once the machine was set up, I
 figured I'd better learn something
 about it, to be able to field
 questions from the kids - and
 immediately became hooked on
 learning how to make this tool
 behave. 5K RAM (stock on the VIC)
 doesn't give you much room - but it
 sure makes you learn how to write
 tight code!

Less than a year later I was looking
 at memory expansion cartridges for
 the VIC - and at the recently
 reduced prices of the C-64. I got
 the 64. And in '86, I moved up the

the 128.

I still have the VIC - someday it will be dedicated to home control/security. Once I build the interfaces and write the software, a couple of those "round tuit" projects. In fact, over the years I've picked up a couple more, just on general principles. And I still have the 64. Partly as an emergency backup, in case my 128 needs to go in for repairs. Partly because the home control program may grow bigger than I can fit in 5 K of code. And partly because used 8-bits aren't worth much in trade in.

During that nine years I have taught myself BASIC and assembler, and played around with C, Pascal, FORTH, Logo and Comal. Why so many languages? Well, the language is the tool you use to tell the "universal tool" what to do. And like the tools in a mechanic's toolbox, each one is designed for a specific purpose. Sure, you can use a hammer to install a screw, but a screwdriver works better.

BASIC, of course, appears when you turn on your VIC, 64 or 128. On other machines, it has to be loaded in from disk. Despite the slurs from structured programming purists, BASIC is an excellent general purpose language and is well suited to beginning programmers - and advanced programmers who want a quick test of an algorithm. It provides easy access to the elementary concepts of telling the machine what to do, and, when well written - or compiled - runs suitably fast for many applications.

Assembler is just a friendly version of "machine language", the native tongue of any computer. (BASIC is really just one huge ML program.) Since ML does not have to be processed - i.e. interpreted - before the CPU can understand it, well written ML will always provide the fastest possible code. But it does require an intimate knowledge of the machine, and cannot easily be converted to run on other machines. Other languages have their pros and cons, and each language was developed for a specific

application.

What I'll try to do with this column is present the rudiments of programming, so you can become familiar with the tools to make your "universal tool" more productive for yourself. Although the code will be specific to the 64 and 128, the concepts will apply to all micro computers. I'll start with BASIC, the Beginner's All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code. As I mentioned above, it's a nice, easy language to start with and is instantly available to any Commodore owner, with no extra cost involved. Later on we'll delve into machine language and assembler, and maybe into some other "high-level" languages as well.

I'll be happy to try to answer any questions as we go along, and welcome any comments you might have. They can all be sent to the editor, who will forward them to me.



**** SPECIAL NOTICE ****

We are in the process of updating the Commercial Library. If you have any programs on Loan to the Library. Please contact me at the meeting, at home or a note in the CUGOS P.O. Box.

If you have not received any due Cugo bucks or have changed your address/telephone number. Please let me know as soon as possible.

If you would like to learn more about Loaning or donating to the Libraries, Commercial / Public Domain (64) or (128) / Magazine.

Please don't hesitate to ask, we need the support & help of all the members to help keep the club up to date & as interesting as possible.

Thanks for your help
Ernie Trisler



ITEMS FOR SALE

Here's your chance to sale your
computer items in the Clipper!

The club has disks for sale!
5 & 1/4" disks at .40 cents each & 3
& 1/2" disks at .60 cents each.
Check with the secretary (Bill
Patrick) for getting these disks.

Software for Sale:

Xyphus (role play) - \$10.00
Skyfox - \$5.00
Adventure Writer (atarid) - \$4.00
Plus many educational & utility
programs (originals) like GEOS 64,
GeoChart, GeoPublish, etc.
Will bring to the meeting
All in good condition - call Garry
Paasch 865-3551



Brain Twisters

Last months brain twister puzzle
answer - The second plane won the
race.

If, for example, the distance to
the turning point is 240 miles, the
first plane would take 1 1/3 hours
going out and 1 hour coming back, a
total of 2 1/3 hours. The second
plane would take 1 1/7 hours each
way, for a total of 2 2/7 hours.

Next puzzle- a clock takes just 5
seconds to strike 5 o'clock. How
long to you think it will take to
strike 10 o'clock?

Answer next month.

Bytes of Humor

A GIRL NAMED KAY IN L. A.,
HOOKED UP HER COMPUTER
THE WRONG WAY.

WHEN SHE TOUCHED THE KEYS,
IT BLEW HER OVER THE TREES.
WHEN SHE CAME DOWN,
THERE WERE 64 KAYS!

YOU KNOW YOU BOUGHT A BAD COMPUTER
WHEN...

-You don't plug it in - you wind it
up!

-The store has a special sale on
your model - buy one, get one free!

-You turn the crank on the side and
it plays "Oh Susannah"!

-The box it comes in says: "For
ages two and up."

-You ask it to solve 4 plus 4 - and
it asks if it could come back to
that one later!



EDITORS NOTES

Hi everyone! Sorry this
newsletter is a bit late getting
out. Having a new baby in your home
can delay quite a few things. Both
Baby girl and Mom are doing just
fine. After three boys, we now have
a girl!!!

Hey, come to the meeting, and
I'll show ya how I put this
newsletter together using "The Write
Stuff"!

I'll also be having some original
software programs for sale at the
meeting, come by and get a bargain
(do your Christmas shopping Early!)

Don't forget Thanksgiving, that's
the Holiday between Halloween and
Christmas, Be thankful for what the
Lord has given you and done for
you.

Gotta go for now! See ya!!
Till Next Time.

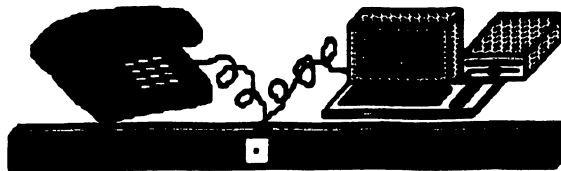
Your Editor,

Garry Paasch



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THE HELP CONNECTION



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Listed below are the names and telephone numbers of the current CUGOS officers. If you have any questions, thoughts, ideas, or suggestions, feel free to contact us between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. You can also leave E-Mail on Digital Dimension.

Name	Position	Phone	DD-ID
ERNE TRISLER	PRESIDENT	869-9345	
SUZI EDWARDS	VICE-PRESIDENT	935-4793	
BILL PATRICK	SECRETARY	882-3866	DD3
BETTE EDWARDS	TREASURER	935-4204	DD4
TONY EDWARDS	64 LIBRARIAN	935-4793	
CHARLES GRIFFIN	128 LIBRARIAN	882-9658	
LARRY FETTERS II	DISK DUPLICATOR	866-6198	DD1
BETTY STOTT	COMMERCIAL LIBRARY	756-2838	
JASON WHITENER	EDUCATOR	865-3259	
GARRY PAASCH	NEWSLETTER EDITOR	865-3551	DD5
LARRY FETTERS II	BBS SYSOP	866-6198	DD1
ELLEN MONTGOMERY	MAGAZINE LIBRARIAN	654-2798	



DIGITAL DIMENSION BBS

866-3979

The Officers meeting meets at Patricks, 2353 E. Bennett, on the third Tuesday of the Month, from 7-8:30p.m. CUGOS thanks Bill and Faye Patrick for the constant use of their building!

HOW TO SUBJECTS

Adventure Games
Beginners Info
Diskmaster Info
GEOS
Hardware Problems
Home/Business Appic.
Programming Info
Beginners Programming
Desktop Publishing
Telecommunications
Using your 64
Using your 128

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Mike Rickman
Bette Edwards
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Ernie Trisler
Charles Griffin

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935-4793
753-3529
935-4793
865-3551
498-6798
678-8533
935-4204
865-3551
865-3259
869-9345
882-9658

HOURS

Anytime
Tuesdays 6:00 P.M.
Anytime
After 6:00 P.M.
Evenings
After 6:00 P.M.
Evenings
After 6:00 P.M.
Anytime
After 6:00 P.M.
After 6:00 P.M.

HELP!



Commodore Users Group of Springfield Membership Application

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code, Telephone Number

What Computers and Computer equipment do you own?

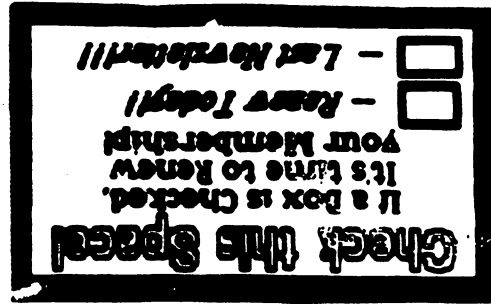
How did you hear of CUGOS?

Membership Dues are \$15.00 a year. New Members, or former members having allowed their membership to lapse are required to pay an additional \$5.00. To be a member, come to a meeting, or send this form with your fee to:

CUGOS Meetings are held the Second Saturday of each Month

CUGOS, P.O. Box 607, Springfield, MO 65801

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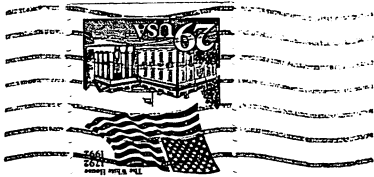


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Articles can be typed or handwritten however, on disk or uploaded to the clubs bulletin board would be much preferred. UD-2 on Digital Dimension has been reserved just for Clipper Articles. Almost any word processor will do, although GEOWRITE or THE WRITE STUFF are preferred.

